Office for Victims of Crime
National Conference Support Resources Menu

The following menu presents those items and activities available to eligible agencies and organizations under the National Conference Support Program. The OVC Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC TTAC) and OVC Resource Center (OVCRC) will need at least 45 days notice to deliver any items requested.

Conference Support Item	Description
Trainer/Presenter Participation	Support of topic-specific workshops for consultant fees, per diem expenses and travel costs associated with the participation of trainers and/or presenters in the approved conference. *See attached list of Frequently Requested Workshop Topics.*
Professional Development Scholarships	A portion of approved OVC support may be allocated specifically for Professional Development Scholarships* to assist victim service providers and allied professionals in attending the conference. Individual scholarships can cover conference attendees' travel, lodging, event registration, and per diem expenses. **Note: A maximum of 10 scholarships per conference. Up to $1,000 awarded to each eligible applicant.*

Selected Workshop from the OVC Training Calendar for Victim Service Providers	Support for a 2½- to 3½-day workshop selected from the OVC Training Calendar for Victim Service Providers. If approved, such a workshop would be delivered by the OVC Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC TTAC), and would count toward the total OVC conference support package. Training Calendar workshops include the following:
	
	    ▪ Professional Development Institute- 2.5 days
	    ▪ The Ultimate Trainer- 2.5 days
	    ▪ Curriculum Design Training for Victim Service Providers- 3.5 days
	    ▪ Sexual Assault Advocate/Counselor Training- 2 days
	    ▪ Leadership in Victim Services- 2.5 days

OVC Capacity-Building Presentation	OVC's 1½ -hour workshop, "Organizational Capacity Building Resources for Victim Service Programs," highlights organizational capacity-building resources available through OVC for grassroots organizations, faith- and community-based programs, public agencies and nonprofit victim service organizations to help improve their organizational management. Participants will learn: ▪ How OVC's resources can support their agency's capacity-building goals.

	- The scope of resources available from OVC and its agencies (the Training and Technical Assistance Center and the Resource Center). - Protocols for requesting assistance from OVC.
OVC Tech Expo**	Support for the OVC Tech Expo to be setup by OVC in a prominent high-traffic area of the conference venue. The set-up would allow for presentations by the OVC Resource Center and the OVC Training and Technical Assistance Center, using accompanying PowerPoint and Internet access. Several PC workstations will be made available to give attendees a hands-on opportunity with the featured technology. In addition, a $1,000 scholarship and a $50 NCJRS credit account will be awarded during the OVC Tech Expo. *The OVC Tech Expo includes all the features of the OVC Exhibit.*
OVC Exhibit**	Support for the OVC exhibit to be set up by OVC in a prominent high-traffic area of the conference venue. The exhibit would permit OVC Resource Center personnel to offer assistance while supervising the exhibits, and would allow OVC resources and publications to be displayed. The area would also have a space for National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) registration, and would offer OVC specialty items for conferees.

** OVC sponsorship may include the OVC Tech Expo or the OVC Exhibit but not both at any one conference.

Frequently Requested Workshop Topics

Applicants may request specific speakers/presenters, but OVC makes the final decision on the selected consultant, based on experience, area of expertise, and availability.

KEY TOPICS	Learning Objectives
Child Sexual Abuse/Child Physical Abuse	• Examine the scope of child sexual/physical abuse • Recognize signs of child sexual/physical abuse • Describe services available to child victims and co-victims • Learn techniques to work with child victims • Discuss mandatory reporting statutes
Community Crisis Response	• Assist communities in developing long-range plans for responding to victims in cases of terrorism and violence • Discuss ways to respond and provide services after a violent crime or community disaster • Assess community needs • Discuss strategies to partner with other organizations
Creating a Victim Focus: Working with Victims During Offender Reentry	• Notify victims of their rights • Ensure victim safety and protection • Provide services to victims • Help families during offender reentry • Work with interfaith communities during offender reentry
Death Notification	• Discuss sensitivity issues • Describe dynamics of violent death • Identify methods to prevent re-victimization • Identify referrals to community-based support
Domestic Violence	• Define the incidence and prevalence of domestic violence • Identify barriers and victims' concerns regarding reporting or prosecuting • Understand the physical and emotion impact of domestic violence on victims and their family members • Describe the resources available to domestic violence victims • Learn how to help victims conduct safety planning
Financial Crimes Against Older People	• Define financial exploitation • Identify various types of elder fraud • Describe methods for responding to elder abuse • Identify resources for victims
Grief and Trauma	• Identify reactions to traumatic and unanticipated loss • Discuss appropriate interventions for families experiencing traumatic and unanticipated loss • Identify ways to respond effectively to the needs of those that are left behind after a loss
Identity Theft	• Define identity theft • Assess the extent of identity theft • Discuss how identity theft occurs • Identify the impact of identity theft on victims • Discuss ways to resolve credit issues • Identify resources for investigators and victims
Injury Documentation and Forensic Evidence Collection	• Recognize signs of injury and the importance of proper documentation • Examine the basics of evidence collection and its role in prosecution • Identifying how injury documentation and forensic evidence can be effectively explained in court
Prosecuting Elder Abuse Cases	• Examine the incidence of elder abuse and how to recognize signs of elder abuse • How to document elder abuse • How to effectively prosecute elder abuse cases

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Serving Victims with Disabilities	- Examine the issues surrounding neglect and abuse of children and/or adults with disabilities - Provide proper support for families of abused children/adults with disabilities - Learn organizational intervention strategies in working with abused children and/or adults with disabilities - Learn how to interview and interact more effectively with people who have disabilities
Sexual Assault	- Define the scope and various forms of sexual assault - Identify barriers/victims' concerns regarding reporting or prosecuting - Understand the physical and emotional impact of sexual assault - Describe the range of resources available to sexual assault victims
Stalking	- Define the scope and specific forms of stalking - Identify barriers and victims' concerns regarding reporting or prosecuting - Learn how to help victims of stalking document incidences and protect themselves - Learn how to help victims conduct safety planning
Teen Dating Violence	- Provide an overview of the scope of teen victimization issues, including teen dating and sexual violence. - Gain an understanding of effective intervention techniques for working with teen victims of dating or sexual violence - Discuss the special factors involved when serving victims of teen sex trafficking
Vicarious Trauma	- Understand stress reactions when working with victims of crime - Recognize vicarious trauma - Identify coping skills - Discuss strategies to ease the effects of vicarious trauma
Victim Services 101	- Provide a basic overview of the importance of victim services - Examine ways service providers can interact sensitively with victims - Discuss the services available to crime victims
Victim Services in Indian Country	- Recognize specific victimization issues, including child abuse and neglect, domestic violence, elder abuse, homicide, sexual abuse and rape, stalking, gang violence, and physical assault - Identify other types of victimization, including DUI/drunk-driving victimization, financial victimization, workplace victimization, and cyber crimes/Internet crimes - Determine resources and services for victims
Working with Immigrant Victims	- Recognize the unique challenges faced by victim service providers when working with immigrant victims - Examine cultural sensitivity issues - Understand cultural barriers to reporting and prosecuting - Identify resources available to immigrant populations
Workplace Violence	- Examine the scope of workplace violence - Discuss ways that employers can educate and support employees - Identify the unique concerns and needs of domestic violence and stalking victims
Capacity Building	- Identify methods for strategic planning - Describe performance monitoring - Identify systems and infrastructure enhancements to help ensure sustainability
Ethics in Victim Services	- Describe boundary issues and multiple relationships - Discuss multicultural and professional competency - Define legal mandates and confidentiality issues - Identify methods for terminating the professional relationship
Models for Collaboration	- Assess readiness to collaborate with other organizations - Assess another organization's "fit" - Approaching businesses - Develop memoranda of understanding (MOU) and management plans

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	▪ Revise/renew commitments periodically
Multidisciplinary Training for Victim Advocates and Providers in Indian Country	▪ Discuss cultural relevance in addressing needs of Native American victims ▪ Establish interagency collaboration ▪ Strengthening existing services ▪ Accessing services hundreds of miles away
Program Evaluation	▪ Assessing needs ▪ Defining goals and objectives ▪ Formulating research questions, planning models, and evaluation design ▪ Conducting the evaluation ▪ Presenting and reporting findings ▪ Methods for using evaluation results
Program Needs Assessment	▪ Identify key partners ▪ Formulate needs assessment questions ▪ Develop methods for data collection, analysis, and reporting ▪ Use needs assessment findings
Victim Service and Faith Community Collaboration	▪ Develop strategies to develop partnerships between victim service providers and clergy to help victims ▪ Assess support of faith-based organizations
Volunteer Management	▪ Assess the needs and readiness of the organization for using and managing volunteers ▪ Provide sample descriptions for volunteer positions ▪ Provide techniques for recruiting, screening, and interviewing potential volunteers ▪ Provide techniques for evaluation, discipline, and recognition ▪ Identify problems and challenges of using volunteers with victims of crime